Statement

The names of the States/UTs in case of which the levy quota is allotted on higher per capita availability in view of the special circumstances

State/UT	Monthly quota (MTs)	Per capita availability
Andaman & Nicobar Islands	389 MT	1008 gms.
Arunachal Pradesh	834 MT	700 gms.
Chandigarh	62 MT	611 gms.
Assam	18337 MT	700 gms.
Delhi	2610 MT	1271 gms.
Himachal Pradesh	4698 MT	700 gms.
Goa	120 MT	500 gms.
Manipur	1763 MT	700 gms.
Daman and Diu	11 MT	500 gms.
Meghalaya	1704 MT	700 gms.
Lakshadweep	115 MT	1625 gms.
Mizoram	666 MT	700 gms.
Nagaland	1179 MT	700 gms.
Sikkim	391 MT	700 gms.
Pondicherry	243 MT	583 gms.
Tripura	2647 MT	700 gms.
Jammu & Kashmir	6962 MT	700 gms.
Uttaranchal	6033 MT	700 gms.

Shortage of Ration Wheat

†1220. DR. PRABHA THAKUR: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received the information regarding the shortage of ration wheat from different States;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(b) if so, the States from where the information regarding the shortage of ration wheat and otehr foodgrains has been received;

(c) whether Government have make any scheme to meet the demand of ration wheat; and

(d) if so, the outline of the said scheme and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (DR. AKHILESH PRASAD SINGH): (a) and (b) The stocks of foodgrains, including wheat, in the Central Pool have been adequate and the requirements of Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) and Other Welfare Schemes of all the States are beign met. However, references have been received from the following States regarding some depletion of the stocks: Kerala, Karnataka, Madhya Pradesh, Andhra Pradesh, Maharashtra, Rajasthan, Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Himachal Pradesh, Tripura and Assam.

Accordingly, Food Corporation of India was advised to take corrective action and movement to these States was stepped up and the stocks are now adequate to meet all the requirements of TPDS and Other Welfare Schemes.

(c) and (d) It is a regular feature to make movement plan of wheat from procuring/surplus States, like Punjab, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh, etc. to the consuming/deficit States to meet the allocation made by this Ministry.

Planning and despatch of the required number of rakes of foodgrains is made by the Food Corporation of India every month for each consuming State/UT at an optimally feasible level, within the constraints of availability of rakes and other logistics in order to adequately cater to the requirements of each States/UT under TPDS and Other Welfare Schemes and with the aim of building up and maintaining the stock level equivalent to three months' average requirement (two months' in respect of N.E. Region). On receipt of any report regarding depletion of stocks the Food Corporation of india is advised to prioritize the induction of rakes to such States/UT and whenever required, the Railway Board is also required to take appropriate remedial action to augment the supply and induction of the rakes.